

[Jt. Res. No. 101, S.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34.

Referring to the next legislature the proposed amendment to the constitution.

WHEREAS, a majority of the members elected to each of the two houses of the legislature have agreed to the following proposed amendment to section 4 of article VI of the constitution:

(Article VI) Section 4. Sheriffs, coroners, registers of deeds, district attorneys, and all other county officers, except judicial officers, shall be chosen by the electors of the respective counties once in every two years. Sheriffs shall hold no other office, and *may succeed themselves*; \* \* \* they may be required by law to renew their security from time to time, and in default of giving such new security their office shall be deemed vacant; but the county shall never be made responsible for the acts of the sheriff. The governor may remove any officer in this section mentioned, giving to such a copy of the charges against him and an opportunity of being heard in his defense. All vacancies shall be filled by appointment, and the person appointed to fill a vacancy shall hold only for the unexpired portion of the term to which he shall be appointed, and until his successor shall be elected and qualified.

*Be it resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring,* That this proposed amendment be referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election, and that the same shall be published, under the direction of the secretary of state, in such newspaper or newspapers as he may select, for the three months previous to the time of holding such election.